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SUPERINTENDENT'S MONTHLY REPORT
NOVEMBER 1950

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Summary of the November 1950 Monthly Narrative Report for
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK

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<u>WEATHER:</u>	Unusually warm. Snow cover northern section light and interior heavy. Mammoth maximum 56°, minimum, -3°.	1
<u>SPECIAL ACTIVITIES:</u>	Rogers to Dude Ranchers Convention, to Bozeman and to Helena. Left 26th for Denver assignment & annual leave. Johnston to Cheyenne on Yellowstone tourist study review. Joffe to Dude Ranchers Conv. & on annual leave. Sign Committee appointed.	1
	Committee on Management & Improvement appointed. Skinner, Jay & Hess to San Diego trial re. bear injury. Steno.-Typist exam.	2
<u>INSPECTIONS:</u>	Howard W. Baker, William E. Robertson, Benjamin F. Dickson, Chester C. Brown and Robert Hall in.	2
<u>IN-SERVICE TRAINING:</u>	Weekly newsletter.	2
<u>PUBLICITY:</u>	AP & UP phoned re. road closing.	2
<u>COMPLAINTS:</u>	Two letters of complaint received.	2
<u>PLANS, MAPS AND SURVEYS:</u>	Regional officials and Hall reviewed projects. Wohlbrandt and Mattson accompanied Robertson, Brown & Hall to Custer DMJ.	2
	Canyon plans reviewed. Drawings worked on and Canyon & Shoshone plans colored. Mattson on annual leave from 20th.	3
<u>MAINTENANCE:</u>	Maintenance operations handled by permanent force. Considerable rain & snow. Roads to West Gate & Cooke kept open. Buildings braced. Most maintenance work discontinued.	3
<u>NEW CONSTRUCTION:</u>	South Approach Road work suspended November 20. Work suspended Canyon project 3rd. Elk trap construction. Other projects listed.	3

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<u>CONCESSIONERS:</u>	Baker and Dickson met with Povah & Rogers re. renewal Hamilton Stores, Inc. contract; also with Haynes & Rogers. John Nichols left.	<u>Page</u> 4
<u>RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND CHAPEL USE:</u>	Regular Sunday School. Services by Rev. Syms and Rev. Clement.	4
<u>INTERPRETIVE SERVICES:</u>	Program for St. Andrews Church group, Livingston. Yellowstone movie shown by Mattson to groups in Minnesota.	5
<u>MUSEUM ACTIVITIES AND EXHIBITS:</u>	Rocks sent museum in San Diego. Museum accession inventory begun. Moran paintings etc. to be sent Franz Lipp for Chicago Art Inst. exhibit.	5
<u>RESEARCH AND OBSERVATION:</u>	Work at Old Faithful museum. Observations of deer, bison & heavy frost on trees in thermal areas. Considerable time spent reviewing old diaries.	5
<u>NATURAL HISTORY ASSOCIATION:</u>	Books received. Book sales. Nature Notes issued. Books ordered.	6
<u>INCREASE OR DECREASE IN TRAVEL:</u>	667 vehicles & 2094 persons; 34% decrease over November 1949.	6
<u>RANGER SERVICE:</u>	Preparation patrol cabins & ranger stations, hunting & highway patrols, elk traps, building fire inspections, fire atlas, work on horse & riding equipment & storage, etc.	6
<u>WILDLIFE AND FISH CULTURAL ACTIVITIES: HUNTING:</u>	Gallatin elk season closed 25th. Approx. 25 elk taken southern Park County. Mild weather; few moved out.	7
<u>ELK REDUCTION PROGRAM:</u>	New trap at Lamar. Arrangements for carcasses to Indians and for direct control. Plans for large number live shipments.	7
<u>FOREST FIRE PROTECTION:</u>	Annual Forestry Report nearly finished. Work on Fire Atlas.	7
<u>WEATHER OBSERVATION:</u>	Chapman to Lake re. weather station work with winterkeeper.	7
<u>WOOD UTILIZATION:</u>	Completion hauling 250 cords fuel wood; hauling \$9.22 per cord; felling & cutting \$14.36 per cord.	8
<u>TRAILS:</u>	Figures for final reports and estimates.	8
<u>BUILDING FIRE PROTECTION:</u>	Annual building fire hazard inspection begun. Extinguishers replaced. Wooden ash can racks moved. Truck ready for winter.	8

BUILDING FIRE
PROTECTION:

Annual building fire hazard inspection begun.
Extinguishers replaced. Colder rain can raise
hazard. Trunk ready for winter.

TRAINING:

Prepared for final reports and estimates.

WOOD UTILIZATION:

Completion hauling 100 cords fuel wood; hauling
10.02 per cord; falling & cutting 11.36 per cord.

WEATHER, OBSERVATION
STATION:

Station to take new weather station work with
winterkeeper.

FOREST FIRE
PREVENTION:

Annual forestry report nearly finished. Work
on fire Atlas.

ELK PRODUCTION
PROGRAM:

Low trap at Lemmon. Arrangements for carcases
to Indians and for direct export. Plans for
large number later shipments.

WILDLIFE AND FISH
CULTURAL ACTIVITIES:
FISH: RISING

few moved out.
Elk taken autumn last. County. Mild weather.
Gallatin elk season closed Sept. 19. Approx. 25

RANGER SERVICES:

riding equipment & repairs, etc.
five inspections. Two calves, one on horse &
hunting & highway patrol, etc traps, building
Prevention patrol cabins & ranger stations.

INCREASE OF DECREASE
IN TRAVEL:

November 1934.
600 vehicles & 2000 persons; 10% decrease over

NATURAL HISTORY
ASSOCIATION:

Books ordered.
Books received. Book sales - Nature Notes issued.

RESEARCH AND
OBSERVATION:

Considerable time spent reviewing old diaries.
fish & heavy frost in areas in thermal areas.
Work at Old Faithful museum. Observations of deer.

INTERPRETATION
AND EXHIBITS:

Plans ship two Chicago and Inst. exhibits.
Inventory paper. Modern paintings etc. to be sent
Books sent museum in San Diego. Museum acquisition

TELEVISION
SERVICES:

Minnesota.
Yellowstone movie shown by Watson at program in
Program for St. Andrews Church group, Livingston.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES
AND CHURCH USE:

and Rev. Clement.
Regular Sunday school. Services by Rev. and

CONFERENCES:

Salmon and Jackson met with Pope & Bishop for
renewal Hamilton Street, Inst. conference. Also
with Haynes & Rogers. John Nichols Inst.

<u>ACCIDENTS AND PUBLIC SAFETY:</u>	One two-car Class A accident due icy roads; slight damage, no injuries.	<u>Page</u> 8
<u>LAW ENFORCEMENT:</u>	No cases. Judge Wilcox away due illness.	8
<u>BIRTHS:</u>	Daughter born to Mr. & Mrs. Gene Herne and son born to Mr. & Mrs. Walter Kittams.	8
<u>MARRIAGES:</u>	Betty Jane Lauer and Wilbur Thomas married in Gardiner.	8
<u>DEATHS:</u>	Robert Mather Albright death in Los Angeles.	9
<u>PERSONNEL:</u>	Eldon J. Tyson eod Payroll Clerk, GS-4 & Clarence E. Scoven Voucher Clerk, GS-4. Wm. J. Briggie, Park Ranger, GS-5, transfer from T. Roosevelt N.M.P. Promotions J. Stanley Fillmore Storekeeper (Gen.), GS-6, Wm. A. Biastoch Storekeeper (Gen.), GS-5, Andrew A. Alley Property Clerk, GS-4, Edward M. Schultz Storekeeper (Gen.), GS-3, John W. Galle Property Clerk, GS-4. Harvey B. Reynolds, Sup. Park Ranger, GS-6, transfer to T. Roosevelt N.M.P. Edwin J. Quinn, Property Clerk, GS-4, resigned. Ruben O. Hart, Dist. Park Ranger, GS-7, on military furlough. Virginia T. Fuller temp. appt. Clerk-Typist, GS-3. Terminations Geo. Q. Wheeler, Storekeeper (Gen.), GS-3, Genevieve E. McCabe, Clerk-Steno., GS-3, Wilbur Thomas, Store- keeper (Gen.), GS-3 & Ruth C. Carlson, Clerk- Typist, GS-3. Furlough Lucinda M. Bolt, Clerk- Steno., GS-3. Raymond C. Easton eod Fiscal Accounting Clerk, GS-4.	9
<u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u>	F. E. U. meeting.	10

ACCIDENTS AND PUBLIC SAFETY

LAW ENFORCEMENT

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PERSONNEL

MISCELLANEOUS

The two-car crash & accident the law notes;
slight damage, no injuries.

No cases. Judge Wilson away due illness.

Transfer born to Mr. & Mrs. Gene Harris and son
born to Mr. & Mrs. Walter Littles.

Betty Jane Linder and Wilbur Thomas married in
Cordier.

Robert Walter Albright death in Los Angeles.

Edison J. Tyson and Payroll Clerk, GS-4, & Clarence
E. Seeger, Voucher Clerk, GS-4, Mr. J. Wiegler,
Park Ranger, GS-7, transferred from T. Roosevelt
N.H.P. Promotions J. Stanley Wilkins, Stenographer
(Gen.), GS-6, Wm. L. Blanton, Stenographer (Gen.),
GS-5, Andrew A. Wiley, Property Clerk, GS-4,
Edward M. Roberts, Stenographer (Gen.), GS-5, John
W. Galle, Property Clerk, GS-4, Harvey B. Reynolds,
Sup. Park Ranger, GS-6, transferred to T. Roosevelt
N.H.P. Edwin J. Quinn, Property Clerk, GS-4,
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apt. Clerk-Typist, GS-7. Terminations Geo. B.
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December 8, 1950

Memorandum

To: The Director
From: Acting Superintendent, Yellowstone National Park
Subject: Monthly Report for November 1950

Following is the report of activities for Yellowstone National Park during the month of November 1950.

Weather Conditions. The weather was unusually warm throughout the month with below zero temperature being recorded on only one day. Precipitation fell on 21 days consisting of rain alternating with snow. Total precipitation amounted to 1.29 inches as compared with the past six-year average of 1.59 inches. Snow cover on most portions of the northern section of the park was light and scattered but with from 10 to 24 inches in the interior and southern sections of the park. The maximum temperature was 56° on the 27th and the minimum was -3° on the 10th.

Special Activities. Superintendent Rogers attended the Dude Ranchers Association Convention in Livingston October 31 through November 2 when he departed for Helena, Montana, for meeting with Glacier officials on Glacier land purchases, returning to the park the 3rd. He made trips to Bozeman on November 15 and 21 for research work at library on legislative history of National Park Service areas and for conference with J. E. Haynes, President of Haynes Inc. He left for Denver November 26 for assignment for approximately three months, to be on annual leave from December 1 through January 2.

Assistant Superintendent Johnston left for Cheyenne, Wyoming, November 19 to review Wyoming Highway Department data collected in Yellowstone tourist study last August for preparation of final report; returned 23rd.

Administrative Assistant Joffe returned November 2 from the Dude Ranchers Association Convention in Livingston which he had attended since October 29. He departed November 28 on annual leave, expecting to return approximately December 7.

On November 6 Superintendent Rogers appointed the following Sign Committee for Yellowstone: Philip H. Wohlbrandt (Chairman), Frank E. Mattson, David deL. Condon and Breynton R. Finch.

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The following were appointed by Superintendent Rogers on November 10 as a Committee on Management and Improvement to function as an agency to inventory and resolve management problems of the park: Curtis K. Skinner (Chairman), David deL. Condon and Philip H. Wohlbrandt, the Superintendent to be an ex-officio member of the committee.

Chief Ranger Skinner, Assistant Chief Ranger Jay and Supervisory Park Ranger Hess left November 11 for San Diego as witnesses for the trial November 16 of William L. Claypool vs. United States on account of bear injury at Old Faithful in 1948. Trial was held at U. S. Customhouse in San Diego. Skinner returned November 20, Hess taking annual leave until the 25th and Jay through the end of the month.

The Local Civil Service Board held an examination on November 1 for Stenographer-Typist with four competitors. Only one took the stenographer examination while the others took the typist part only.

Inspections. Howard W. Baker, Regional Director; William E. Robertson, Regional Engineer; Benjamin F. Dickson, Regional Chief of Public Services; Chester C. Brown, Acting Regional Landscape Architect; and Robert Hall, Landscape Architect, Washington, D. C., arrived November 6. Messrs. Robertson, Brown and Hall left for Custer Battlefield National Monument November 10 and Messrs. Baker and Dickson left November 11 to return to Omaha.

In-Service Training. The Weekly Newsletter was issued each Thursday during the month to keep employees, concessioners and others currently informed on park happenings.

Publicity. The Associated Press and United Press were phoned information on closing of Norris-Canyon road and roads on east side of park November 1.

Complaints. Two letters of complaint were received during the month, as follows: (1) unsanitary condition of cabin at Canyon and excessive rate therefor, and (2) apparent fire danger of accommodations in park and unsafe driving of park buses.

Plans, Maps and Surveys. Messrs. Baker, Robertson, Brown and Dickson of the Region Two Office and Mr. Robert Hall of the Washington Office were in the park the week of November 6 to review concessioner and planning projects and several conferences were held during their stay including a trip to Lake, Fishing Bridge, Old Faithful and the West Entrance. A review of future planning projects was held with Mr. Brown and Mr. Hall. Park Engineer Wohlbrandt and Resident Landscape Architect Mattson accompanied Messrs. Robertson, Brown and Hall to Custer Battlefield National Monument on November 10 to inspect the work on the new museum and look over road and sewer alignments.

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Chief Ranger Skinner, Assistant Chief Ranger Jay and Supervisory Park Ranger Ross left November 11 for San Diego as witnesses for the trial November 12 of William L. Glaypool vs. United States on account of being injured at Old Point in 1947. Trial was held at U. S. Courthouse in San Diego. Skinner returned November 20, Ross taking annual leave until the 25th and Jay through the end of the month.

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The development plans for the Canyon area were reviewed by the group of the Regional office and Mr. Hall and the conclusion reached that the plans should have a review throughout the Service first before presenting them for the comments of the concessioners.

A number of drawings were worked on during the month in the Resident Landscape Architect's office including Parking Area, Architectural Plan, Upper Falls; West Thumb Campground Road Extension; Study, Canyon Village Area; Canyon Campground; and Canyon Cabin Area. Two sets of master plan sheets for the Canyon Area were colored and a set of plat plans of the Shoshone area was colored.

Resident Landscape Architect Mattson was on annual leave from November 20 to December 1.

Maintenance. All maintenance operations during the month were handled by the permanent organization.

This was a typical November, a few nice days and considerable rain and snow. The road to the West Entrance as well as the road to Cooke was kept open throughout the month. Snowplowing of both sections was required several times during the month. The road to West Yellowstone is being kept open so that work can continue on the construction of the new residence at the West Entrance. The snow depths vary from six inches to two feet. All buildings in the interior of the park have been braced for the winter snow load. The work at Canyon was discontinued on November 3, at Lake on November 10, and at Old Faithful November 22.

New Construction. Construction work on Units One and Two of the Moran-Yellowstone Approach Road was suspended November 20. Some cleanup work was carried on beyond this date. Unit One is approximately 65% complete and Unit Two approximately 50% complete.

Project 1-F3, G4 is a day labor project being constructed by the Park Service forces. Very little was accomplished this month on the project due to rain and snow. Work was suspended November 3 and the project was approximately 85% complete.

Construction of a new elk trap at Lamar and changes on the old one at Crystal Creek were started November 6.

Other construction projects under way in the park consisted of the following:

Account 331.02, Employee's residence, West Yellowstone.--Work about 95% complete, awaiting delivery of furnace to complete.

Account 332.11, Sewage disposal system, Lake area.--Septic tank complete; pump house approximately complete; and grading around tank

and pumphouse 50% complete. Ten-inch force line on hand and the gravity line is under invitation to bid.

Account 333.02, Utilities, tables, fire places and comfort stations, Old Faithful campground.--Four comfort stations completed, material on order for four more. Water, sewer and street lights completed on middle loop. Water and sewer is partly complete in the other two loops.

Account 323.01, Campground Roads, Old Faithful.--Clearing nearly complete on all three loops; two loops are graded, and one loop base surfacing in place.

Account 331.07, Elk Trap and Abattoir Construction, Lamar.--Road built and trap approximately 75% complete. No work started on abattoir, which is being delayed by material shortage.

Account 331.08, Elk Trap and Abattoir Construction, Crystal Creek.--Trap revamped and completed. Work on abattoir not started, awaiting shipment of lumber.

Account 231.01, Repair heating plant, Building 34.--Under contract. The work is well underway: furnace placed, fuel tank and feeder line in place.

Account 231.02, Repair heating plant, Building 13.--Work under contract; but actual work not started.

Account 331.05, Mess Hall, road camp, Lake Area.--Foundation poured, walls in place and roof shingled.

Concessioners. Regional Director Baker and Regional Chief of Public Services Dickson met with Trevor Povah, representing C. A. Hamilton, and Superintendent Rogers on November 8 to discuss renewal of the Hamilton Stores, Inc. contract. A similar meeting was held here the next day with Mr. J. E. Haynes, President of Haynes Inc.

On November 15 John Q. Nichols, Assistant to the President of the Yellowstone Park Company, left the park for his winter home in La Jolla, California.

Religious Services and Chapel Use. The regular Sunday School services were held each Sunday in the Yellowstone Park Chapel at 10:30 a.m. The Rev. E. A. Syms of Livingston, Montana, conducted non-sectarian Protestant services in the Yellowstone Park Chapel on the 12th and 26th at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Webster Clement of the Lutheran Church of Livingston, Montana, conducted Lutheran services on Monday evening, November 27 at 7:30 p.m.

and approximately 500 complete. Ten-line forms line on hand and the project
line is under invitation to bid.

Account 352.02, Utilities, tables, line cases and conduit
stations, Old Station campgrounds. Four conduit stations completed,
material on order for four more. Water, sewer and street lights are
placed on middle loop. Water and sewer are partly complete in the other
two loops.

Account 352.01, Campground roads, Old Station. Clearing nearly
complete on all three loops; two loops are graded, and one loop has
facing in place.

Account 351.07, Big Trap and Abattoir construction, Lamar. --
Road built and trap approximately 75% complete. Work started on abattoir
which is being delayed by material shortage.

Account 351.06, Big Trap and Abattoir construction, Crystal Creek.
--trap revamped and completed. Work on abattoir not started, awaiting
shipment of lumber.

Account 351.01, Repair heating plant, Building 3. --Under con-
tract. The work is well underway: furnace placed, fuel tank and feeder
line in place.

Account 351.00, Repair heating plant, Building 15. --Work under
contract; but actual work not started.

Account 351.05, Main Hall, road camp, Lake Area. --Foundation
poured, walls in place and roof shingled.

Compassion. Regional Director Jean and Regional Chief of
Public Services Dickson met with Trevor Town, representing G. A. Hamilton,
and Superintendent Rogers on November 9 to discuss removal of the Hamilton
Stores, Inc. contract. A similar meeting was held on the next day with
Mr. J. E. Hayes, President of Hayes Inc.

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at 7:00 p.m. Rev. Walter Clement of the Lutheran Church of Livingston,
Montana, conducted Lutheran services on Monday evening, November 17 at
7:30 p.m.

Interpretive Services. A program was presented to the St. Andrews Church group of Livingston, Montana, by Chief Park Naturalist Condon on Tuesday, November 28. The subject discussed was "Our National Parks" and there were 15 people in attendance.

Resident Landscape Architect Frank Mattson using the 16mm Yellowstone movie "Wonderland" presented programs to the following groups:

St. Paul Grade School - November 21, to 170
Oliver Club, Virginia, Minnesota - November 27, to 22
Lions Club, Eveleth, Minnesota - November 28, to 40
Eveleth Senior High School - November 29, to 380
Eveleth Junior College - November 29, to 45

Museum Activities and Exhibits. A set of rock specimens were sent to the Balboa Park Museum in San Diego, California. Dr. Baylor Brooks of that institution, who requested the specimens, is a former park ranger naturalist of Yellowstone Park.

Park Naturalist Upton began the museum accession inventory and will continue this work in December.

Final word has been received from the Chicago Art Institute concerning the exhibit material they will require for use in the Franz Lipp presentation at that institution in July and August of 1951. We are sending to them in December Moran paintings, skulls of animals and sets of animal track casts.

Research and Observation. A trip to Old Faithful was made on November 13 by Park Naturalist Upton and Chief Park Naturalist Condon. On this occasion the shutters were placed on the museum and office section which has been used as a ranger station, and caps were placed on the chimneys. In addition to this considerable cleanup work was done in the museum area and a number of items hauled away to the dump.

On this trip a number of deer were seen in the Old Faithful area, elk were observed in many places along the Firehole and Gibbon Rivers and a large herd of bison were concentrated in the area along White Creek. On this particular day an exceedingly heavy frost was present on all trees which were near thermal features and although the day was stormy and overcast they were exceedingly beautiful.

Chief Park Naturalist Condon has spent considerable time during the month reviewing the original diaries of early scouts, soldiers and the diaries of Dr. A. C. Peale who was a member of the Hayden Survey of 1871 and 1872.

Natural History Association. An order for 100 copies of PINEY BEAR placed with the publisher early in the month was filled late in the

Interpretive Services. A program was presented to the St. Andrews Church group of Livingston, Montana, by Chief Park Naturalist Gordon on Tuesday, November 28. The subject discussed was "Our National Parks" and there were 15 people in attendance.

Resident Landscapes Architect Frank Watson using the 10m Yellowstone Radio "Antenna" in rented program to the following program:

St. Paul Grade School - November 21, to 25
Oliver Club, Virginia, Minnesota - November 27, to 28
Lions Club, Weatonia, Minnesota - November 29, to 30
Weatonia Senior High School - November 29, to 30
Weatonia Junior College - November 29, to 30

Museum Activities and Exhibits. A set of rock specimens were sent to the Ralph L. Museum in San Diego, California. Dr. Baylor Brooks of that institution, who reported the specimens, is a former park ranger naturalist of Yellowstone Park.

Park Naturalist Upson began the museum accession inventory and will continue this work in December.

Final work has been received from the Chicago Art Institute concerning the exhibit material they will require for use in the Trans-Illinois presentation at that institution in July and August of 1951. We are sending to them in December 1000 specimens, skulls of animals and sets of animal track casts.

Research and Observation. A trip to Old Faithful was made on November 17 by Park Naturalist Upson and Chief Park Naturalist Gordon. On this occasion the shutters were placed on the main and office sections which has been used as a ranger station, and caps were placed on the chimneys. In addition to this considerable cleanup work was done in the museum area and a number of items hauled away in the dump.

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Chief Park Naturalist Gordon has spent considerable time during the month reviewing the original diaries of early scientists, explorers and the diaries of Dr. A. C. Poole who was a member of the Hayden Survey of 1871 and 1872.

Natural History Association. An order for 100 copies of NHA placed with the publisher early in the month was filled late in the

month, the shipment having been received on the 28th. One hundred and twenty-five copies of EXPLORING OUR NATIONAL PARKS AND MONUMENTS were received on the 7th.

Books sold during the month were as follows:

Yellowstone National Park	\$44.72
Custer Battlefield National Monument	52.30

The November-December issue of YELLOWSTONE NATURE NOTES was edited and published by the Association, and 361 copies were placed in the mail on November 30 and 85 copies were distributed in the local area.

The Executive Secretary of the Association during the month of November placed orders for a considerable number of books for addition to the Yellowstone Park Library. Several of these have been received and others are expected in December.

Increase or Decrease in Travel. A total of 667 vehicles carrying 2,094 persons entered the park during the month as compared with 1,126 vehicles and 3,195 persons during November 1949 or a decrease of 34%. The decrease in travel is attributed largely to the early closing of all park roads except the road from Gardiner to Cooke and the wide publicity given the closing of the roads by radio and newspapers. The international situation undoubtedly had some effect on the park travel also.

Ranger Service. The final work in preparing the patrol cabins and ranger stations for the winter was completed. The Canyon Ranger Station was closed on the 1st, the Lake Ranger Station on the 14th and the Old Faithful Ranger Station on the 17th. It was previously planned to man the Old Faithful Station all winter but due to District Ranger Hart being called to military service and shortage of personnel it was decided to close the station. Hunting patrols have been carried out all month along the northern boundaries, the west boundaries and the southwest corner of the park due to hunting activity. Highway patrols along the road from West Yellowstone to Gallatin and through the park have been made at frequent intervals.

Other Protection Division activities have included inspection and maintenance of the elk traps, building fire inspections in the Mammoth area, work on revising the fire atlas, manning the game checking station on the West Yellowstone - Gallatin road and preparation of correspondence and reports in the Chief Ranger's Office.

A number of the rangers were on annual leave during a large part of the month in order to use their leave before they lost it by the end of this year. A large amount of work has been accomplished in the arrangement and care of the horse and riding equipment in the Mammoth barn. New shelves, bins and racks have been constructed and all equipment stored in a logical system. Some work has been done on maintenance of the riding equipment.

month, the amount having been received on the 20th. The amount of twenty-five dollars of the 20th and 21st were received on the 24th.

Books sold during the month were as follows:

Yellowstone National Park
Gates National Monument
\$1.75
\$2.50

The November-December issue of YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK was edited and published by the Association, and all copies were placed in the mail on November 30 and 25 copies were distributed in the local area.

The Executive Secretary of the Association during the month of November placed orders for a considerable number of books for addition to the Yellowstone Park Library. Several of these have been received and others are expected in December.

Increases or Decreases in Travel. A total of 607 vehicles carrying 2,094 persons entered the park during the month as compared with 1,152 vehicles and 5,195 persons during November 1934 on a decrease of 50%. The decrease in travel is attributed largely to the early closing of all park roads except the road from Gardiner to Cooke and the wide publicity given the closing of the roads by radio and newspaper. The information situation undoubtedly had some effect on the park travel also.

Ranger Service. The final report is regarding the patrol service and ranger stations for the month was completed. The Canyon Ranger Station was closed on the 1st, the Lake Ranger Station on the 15th and the Old Faithful Ranger Station on the 17th. It was previously planned to close the Old Faithful Station all winter but due to the fact that the Lake Ranger Station was called to military service and a number of personnel it was decided to close the station. Patrols have been carried out all month along the northern boundaries, the west boundaries and the southeast corner of the park due to hunting activity. Light patrols along the road from the Yellowstone to Gallatin and through the park have been made at frequent intervals.

Other Protection Division activities have included inspection and maintenance of the elk traps, building fire inspection in the Mammoth area, work on revising the fire rules, training the game warden station on the West Yellowstone - Gallatin road and preparation of correspondence and reports in the Chief Ranger's Office.

A number of the rangers were on annual leave during a large part of the month in order to use their leave before they lost it by the end of this year. A large amount of work has been accomplished in the emergency and care of the horses and riding equipment in the Mammoth area. The bins and racks have been constructed and all equipment stored in a logical system. Some work has been done on maintenance of the riding equipment.

Wildlife and Fish Cultural Activities. HUNTING SEASON. The elk hunting season in the upper Gallatin River area closed on November 25. Game checking stations located at Squaw Creek and Grayling Creek recorded a total of 720 taken by hunters; also 111 deer, 13 moose, and 4 bears. Deputy game wardens estimated that local residents living between the checking stations took about 15 additional elk and that up to 50 elk were crippled and lost. A total of 52 elk was checked through the Ennis station on the Madison River and game wardens are of the opinion that most of these animals drifted to the Madison Drainage from the Gallatin herd. It is anticipated that the Forest Service and Montana Department will furnish an official total reduction figure for the Gallatin elk herd.

It is estimated that approximately 25 elk have been taken by hunters in southern Park County, Montana. A game checking station has been established near Corwin Springs so that reliable figures will be available for the balance of the season. Extended periods of mild weather left little snow over the winter range within the park so that elk remained widely dispersed and no important numbers moved out of the park to lower ranges in Montana.

ELK REDUCTION PROGRAM. Construction of a new large elk trap about a mile below Lamar headquarters and extensive alterations of the Crystal Creek elk trap started on November 6. The Crystal Creek trap was ready for use at the close of November 22 and the new Lamar trap was approximately 75 percent complete by the end of the month. Work on the two abattoirs will commence after the Lamar trap is completed.

Except for making arrangements to furnish elk carcasses to Indian Agencies, preparations for commencing direct control operations within the park were completed during the month. Much of the ground in the area where shooting on the open range is to be carried on is free of snow so that the starting date will be determined by the fall of enough snow to permit dragging carcasses to the road. Plans and arrangements are progressing satisfactorily to remove a substantial number of elk by live shipments this winter.

Forest Fire Protection. The greater portion of the Annual Forestry Report was written. Work was also begun on the new Fire Atlas for the decade 1950-1959. Park Ranger Heas is preparing the maps and weather charts for the new Atlas.

Weather Observation. On November 10 Assistant Chief Ranger Chapman went to Lake and went over the weather station work with Winter-keeper Bateson. Mr. Bateson has agreed to take weather observations for the Weather Bureau and stream flow measurements for the Geological Survey. He is being paid for this service by the respective agencies for the winter months while no rangers are regularly stationed at Lake.

Wildlife and Fish Cultural Activities. The elk hunting season in the upper Gallatin River area closed on November 22. Game checking stations located at Upper Creek and Westing Creek recorded a total of 720 taken by hunters; also 11 deer, 13 moose, and 1 bear. Deputy game wardens estimated that local residents living between the checking stations took about 15 additional elk and that up to 50 elk were crippled and lost. A total of 28 elk was checked through the Elms station on the Madison River and some residents are of the opinion that most of these animals killed to the Madison Basin are from the Gallatin herd. It is anticipated that the Forest Service and Montana Department will furnish an official total reduction figure for the Gallatin elk herd.

It is estimated that approximately 27 elk have been taken by hunters in southern Park County, Montana. A game checking station has been established near Cowan Springs on that reliable figures will be available for the balance of the season. Extended periods of mild weather left little snow over the winter range within the park so that elk remained widely dispersed and no important numbers moved out of the park to lower ranges in Montana.

ELK REDUCTION PROGRAM. Construction of a new large elk trap about a mile below Lamar headquarters and extensive alterations of the Gravel Creek elk trap started on November 6. The Gravel Creek trap was ready for use at the close of November 22 and the new Lamar trap was approximately 75 percent complete by the end of the month. Work on the two best traps will commence after the Lamar trap is completed.

Precept for making arrangements to furnish elk carcasses to Indian Agencies, preparations for commencing direct control operations within the park were completed during the month. Much of the ground in the area where shooting on the open range is to be carried on is free of snow so that the starting date will be determined by the fall of enough snow to permit bringing carcasses to the road. Plans and arrangements are progressing satisfactorily to remove a substantial number of elk by live shipments this winter.

Forest Fire Protection. The western portion of the Forest Service Report was written. Work was also begun on the new fire atlas for the decade 1920-1929. Park Ranger Ross is preparing the maps and weather charts for the new atlas.

Weather Observation. On November 10 Assistant Chief Ranger Chapman went to Lake and went over the weather station work with Ranger Keeper Bateson. Mr. Bateson has agreed to take weather observations for the weather Bureau and stream flow measurements for the Geological Survey. He is being paid for this service by the respective agencies for the winter months while no rangers are regularly stationed at Lake.

Wood Utilization. Approximately 250 cords of wood were cut in the Lava Creek burn for use by the Government for fuel wood during the fall. This wood is very good wood, being sound and dry enough to burn with a good heat. The cost of hauling amounted to \$9.22 per cord, due to the long distances involved. The cost of felling and cutting was \$14.36 per cord.

Trails. Records covering the work done on trails for the summer were checked and costs figured in preparation for making final reports and estimates for the next fiscal year.

Building Fire Protection. The annual building fire hazard inspection was started in the Mammoth area on November 28. District Ranger Jacobson and Park Ranger Estey have been assigned to this project.

The problem of defective carbon tetrachloride extinguishers is showing up again. The defective quart and quart and one half, hand pump type are being replaced with the can type "Hero" extinguishers. This type is also being used in places where additional protection is necessary.

The wooden ash can racks which were located too close to the school house, storehouse and electric shop have been moved to safer locations. This will eliminate the hazard of hot coals and ashes being blown from the cans against old wooden buildings.

Equipment on the building fire truck was all checked and the truck made ready for winter use.

Accidents and Public Safety. One two-car Class "A" accident was reported for the month occurring north of headquarters when two cars skidded on icy pavement. Slight damage was done and no injuries resulted.

Law Enforcement. No law enforcement cases were held during the month. U. S. Commissioner T. Paul Wilcox was away from the park throughout the month due to illness. He and Mrs. Wilcox are living with one of their daughters in Seattle, Washington, where Judge Wilcox is recuperating.

Births. On November 10 a daughter was born to Automotive Mechanic and Mrs. Gene T. Herne at the Park Hospital in Livingston.

On November 12 a son was born to Biologist and Mrs. Walter H. Kittams at the Park Hospital in Livingston.

Marriages. Betty Jane Lauer and Wilbur Thomas were married in Gardiner, Montana, on November 23. Mrs. Thomas has been employed here as Clerk-Typist, GS-3 and Mr. Thomas as Storekeeper (General), GS-3.

Good Utilization. Approximately 250 cords of wood were cut in the lava creek burn for use by the Government for fuel wood during the fall. This wood is very good wood, being sound and dry enough to burn with a good heat. The cost of hauling amounted to \$2.35 per cord, and the long distance involved. The cost of falling and cutting was \$1.35 per cord.

Trails. Records covering the work done on trails for the summer were checked and costs figured in preparation for making final reports and estimates for the next fiscal year.

Building Fire Protection. The annual building fire hazard inspection was started in the morning on November 22. District Ranger Jacobson and Park Ranger Hasty have been assigned to this project.

The project of detecting carbon monoxide extinguishers is showing up again. The defective gauges and one half, hand pump type are being replaced with the new type "Hart" extinguishers. This type is also being used in places where additional protection is necessary.

The wooden ash can racks which were located too close to the school house, storehouse and electric shop have been moved to safer locations. This will eliminate the hazard of hot ash and ash can being blown from the cans against old wooden buildings.

Equipment on the building fire truck was all checked and the truck made ready for winter use.

Accidents and Public Safety. The two-car "Glen" A accident was reported for the month occurring north of Livingston. The two cars slid on icy pavement. Slight damage was done and no injuries resulted.

Law Enforcement. The law enforcement cases were held during the month. U. S. Commissioner E. Paul Wilson was away from the park throughout the month due to illness. He and Mr. Wilson are living with one of their daughters in Seattle, Washington, where Judge Wilson is recuperating.

Births. On November 10 a daughter was born to Antonette Meschale and Mrs. Gene T. Horns at the Park Hospital in Livingston.

On November 12 a son was born to Alexander and Mrs. Walter T. Kittens at the Park Hospital in Livingston.

Marriages. Betty Jane Laver and William Thomas were married in Gardiner, Montana, on November 22. Mrs. Thomas has been employed here as Clerk-Typist, 21-5 and Mr. Thomas as Storekeeper (General), 21-5.

Deaths. Robert Mather Albright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace M. Albright, former Yellowstone Superintendent and Director of the National Park Service, died in Los Angeles, California, on November 24. Bob spent many of his early years in the Yellowstone while his father was Superintendent of the park from 1919 to 1929.

Personnel. Eldon J. Tyson entered on duty as Payroll Clerk, GS-4 and Clarence E. Scoyen as Voucher Clerk, GS-4 on November 1.

William J. Briggles entered on duty by transfer from Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park on November 10, arriving in Yellowstone November 11.

George Q. Wheeler was terminated as Storekeeper (General), GS-3 on November 10.

On November 12 J. Stanley Fillmore was promoted from Storekeeper (General), GS-5 to Storekeeper (General), GS-6, vice Charles C. Schmid; William A. Biastoch from Property Clerk, GS-4 to Storekeeper (General), GS-5, vice Fillmore; Andrew A. Alley from Storekeeper (General), GS-3 to Property Clerk, GS-4, vice Biastoch; Edward M. Schultz from Storekeeper (General), GS-3, seasonal, to Storekeeper (General), GS-3, permanent, vice Alley.

Raymond C. Easton entered on duty as Fiscal Accounting Clerk, GS-4 on November 13.

Harvey B. Reynolds, Supervisory Park Ranger, GS-6, left November 16 for transfer to the same position at Theodore Roosevelt National Memorial Park, effective 8:00 a.m. that date.

Edwin J. Quinn, Property Clerk, GS-4, resigned at the close of November 17.

Lucinda M. Bolt, Clerk-Stenographer, GS-3, terminated her services at the close of November 17 to be furloughed at 9:00 a.m. December 14, including annual leave.

Genevieve E. McCabe, Clerk-Stenographer, GS-3, terminated at the close of November 17.

John W. Galle was promoted November 19 from the position of Storekeeper (General)-Truck Driver, GS-3 to that of Property Clerk, GS-4, vice Edwin J. Quinn.

Virginia T. Fuller entered on duty November 21 on temporary appointment as Clerk-Typist, GS-3.

Wilbur Thomas was terminated as Storekeeper (General), GS-3 on November 21.

Ruben O. Hart, District Park Ranger, GS-7, was placed on military furlough November 24 due to his being recalled to active duty in the U. S. Army Air Force.

Ruth C. Carlson, Clerk-Typist, GS-3, was terminated at the close of November 24.

Miscellaneous. The regular monthly meeting of Federal Employees Union No. 465 was held in the Canteen November 6.

Fred T. Johnston
Acting Superintendent

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Robert C. West, District Park Ranger, 89-7, was placed on liberty
throughout to enable him to be in the field, recalled to action only in the U. S.
Army Air Force.

Robert C. Carlson, Clerk-Typist, 89-7, was recommended for the class
of November 24.

Recommendations. The regular monthly meeting of Federal Employees
Union No. 100 was held in the Canton November 8.

Robert C. Carlson
Clerk-Typist

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